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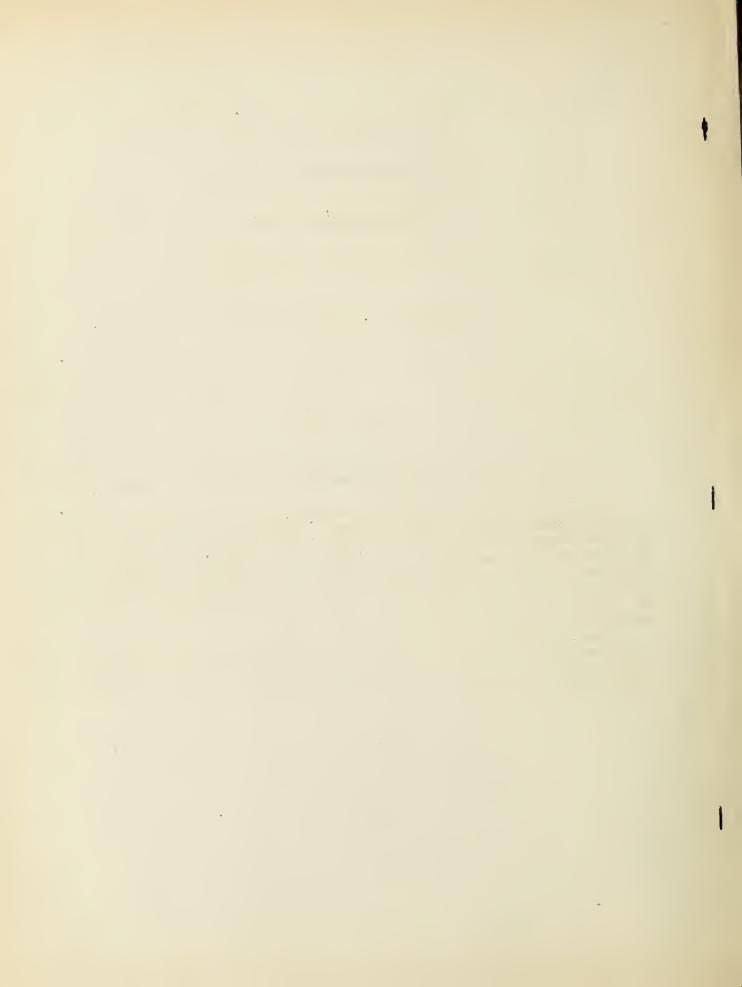
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Mr. Jesse M. Jones, Director of Extension in Virginia, writes as follows:

"Through the boys' and girls' agricultural and home economics clubs, the lives of members are made more efficient, thrifty, and useful, and responsibility is developed. They realize the beauty, joy and dignity of work in the home or on the farm and come to see that rural life is worth while because an insight into its possibilities is opened up and they behold their great mission in its development. There are multiplied proofs to show that these statements are true and that they think of and believe more in their State, know it better, and become its most successful citizens.

"The ultimate aim of all this work is to open the doors of opportunity for the improvement of the home through making more money available that it may be better sustained, and the burdens of the homekeeper lightened. This is being accomplished in thousands of instances."



# COUNTY AGENT AND HOME DEMONSTRATION MEETINGS ETC. COLLEGE SHORT COURSES AND FAIRS

### ALABAMA

The State short course for club girls will be held at Montevallo June 16 - 22.

Two years ago Montgomery county organized monthly hog sales. County agent

Edmonson states that the sale at Ramer a short time back was the most successful and profitable that has been held since the organization was formed.

The Alabama State Fair will be held at Birmingham October 6th to 11th; -

J. L. Dent, Secretary.

# ARKANSAS

The Boys' and Girls' short courses for the Northern district will open at Russelville on July 28th and continue to August 1st; at Magnolia from August 4th to 6th. The Southeast district courses will be held at Monticello from August 11th to 15th. The Northeast district courses will be held at Joresboro from August 18th to 22nd.

Hot Springs is the place named for the holding of the State Fair - no date yet given.

# DISTRICT of COLUMBIA

The States of Florida, Georgia and Mississippi are being visited by our Field Agent and Agriculturist, Mr. H. E. Savely.

Dr. Frants P. Send, carming and drying expert of this Office. Miss Erin Dore of Crowley, La., Miss Caroline A. Boudreaux of Scott, La., and Mrs. Berenice Carter Davis, formerly State Home Demonstration Agent of Texas, have gone to France to teach drying and canning.

Since the organization of an Agricultural History Society in this City the Secretary and Treasurer of the Society, Dr. Tyman Carrier of the B. P. I. has requested that all information concerning early agricultural history be sent him. He promises to return the books to their owners after obtaining the data needed.

Mr. Charles J. Galpin, Professor of Agricultural Economy of the University of Wisconsin is now to conduct farm-life studies for the reorganized Bureau of Farm Management and Farm Economics.

Through the Bureau of Public Roads the Secretary of Agriculture distributes more than \$45,000,000 worth of motor trucks. The Government is giving 20,000 motor trucks to the states.

Mr. F. W. Brown who has been in charge of fertilizer resources of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for the Bureau of Soils, will leave the Department to become Executive Secretary of the U. S. Potash Producers' Association. His headquarters will be Washington.

The garden and canning clubs of the Department of Agriculture together with the state colleges, have done wonderful work this past year. Florida, North Carolina, Alabama and Texas have had special mention.

Mr. Edward A. Foley has been appointed by the Agricultural Department as the first agricultural trade commissioner to work in foreign lands in the interest of the American food producers. He has sailed for Liverpool.

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# DISTRICT of COLUMBIA (cont'd)

Walker D. Hines, Director General of Railroads, on April 11th decided to reduce rates on road building materials when for use in Federal, state, county, parish, township or municipal government road work. Rates applied May 1st to December 31st.

At a Conference in Chicago W. G. Carmichael was appointed secretary of the Livestock producers and packers committee. The other members of the committee are as follows: J. H. Mercer, Kansas; J. G. Brown, Ind.; Prof. W. C. Coffey, Ill.; E. L. Burke and C. W. Pubsley, Neb.; John G. Imboden, Ill.; Chas. E. Collins, Colo.; C. W. Hunt and H. C. Wallace, Iowa; H. C. Stuart, Va.; W. W. Turney, Texas; A. W. Nelson, Mo.; John D. Eldridge, Ark.

A National Conference of Business training for engineers and engineering training for business men will be held in this city June 23rd and 24th.

Thomas H. McDonald has been appointed as engineer in immediate charge of the work under the Federal Aid road act. This position provides cooperation between the states and the federal government in the construction and improvement of roads. He will assume his duties very shortly.

Julius H. Barnes states a compensation will be allowed for the storage of wheat.

### GEORGIA

The summer school will open at Athens July 1st and close in August, from latest reports.

Dr. LeFevre will hold a meeting at Fort Valley June 17-18th to teach vinegar making from peaches.

The meeting of the district agents and specialists was held in the Chamber of Commerce building at Augusta, May 23rd and 24th.

The Farmers' Cooperative Association will build a grain elevator in Laurens county by August 1st.

The Southeastern Fair Association will be held at Atlanta from October 11th to 18th - R. M. Stripling, secretary.

The State Fair will be held at Macon, on October 22nd to 31st.

# KENTUCKY

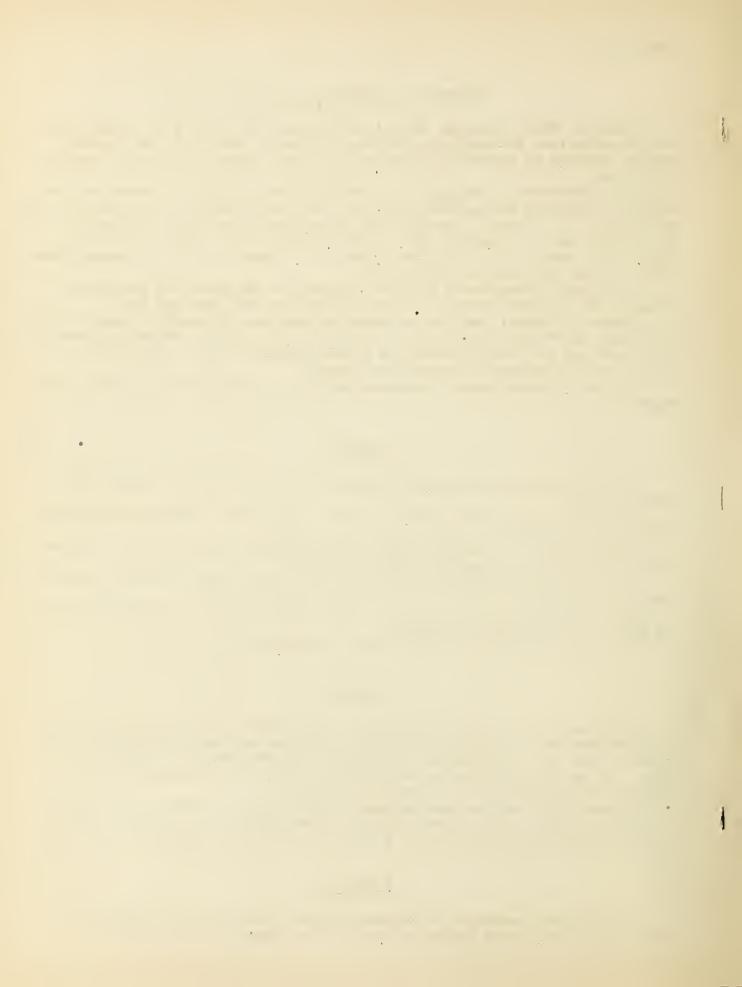
Kentucky will be visited by a party of sixty-four farmers and business men from Arkansas who will visit the College of Agriculture and some Kentucky farms June 6th and 7th. The Governor of Arkansas, the president of the State University, the dean and the director of the College and Experiment Station, and director of Extension will be among the visitors.

A short while back a mixed carload of livestock was shipped from Lexington to the West Indies. This shows Kentucky's fame continues to be wide spread.

The Kentucky State Fair will be held at Louisville on September 8th to 13th.

# LOUISIANA

A six weeks' course at the Louisiana State University will be held for the Home Demonstration work beginning June 17th, continuing to July 30th.



# LOUISIANA (cont'd)

The Farmers' Week or Annual Short Course will be held at the Louisiana State University from July 31st to August 8th. The Farmers' Week is the new name for the Farmers' Annual Short Course and the time of meeting has been changed to the summer instead of the winter season as heretofore. While this is in session there will also be held at the University a general meeting of the livestock interests of Louisiana August 6th to 8th.

Beginning about one week after the close of the Farmers' Week there will be held at the Louisiana State University August 14th to 21st the Fifth Annual Short Course for members of the boys' and girls' agricultural clubs of the state who made the best records in their work.

The third term of the Annual Short Course at the Louisiana State University ends on June 14th.

The Terrebonne Parish poultry exhibit in October will create much notice for this section.

New Orleans will hold the World's Cotton Conference from October 13th to 16th. Nearly 2,000 delegates representing the cotton growers of the South will be present.

The Louisiana State Fair will be held at Shreveport from October 22nd to 27th. W. R. Hirsch, Secretary.

### MARYLAND

The Boys' and Girls' Club short course will be held from June 2nd to 6th at College Park. About three boys and two girls will come from each county and the Extension Service will mear the expenses of the prize winners. Mr. I. W. Hill is invited to be present and make an address on June 4th.

Specialist S. B. Shaw has written an account of the orchard industry of Maryland for two movies.

A new Grange has been organized at West Nottingham.

A Jersey Field day was held on May 21st and this leads to a Jersey sale to be held in October. The place and date will be definitely given a little later in the season.

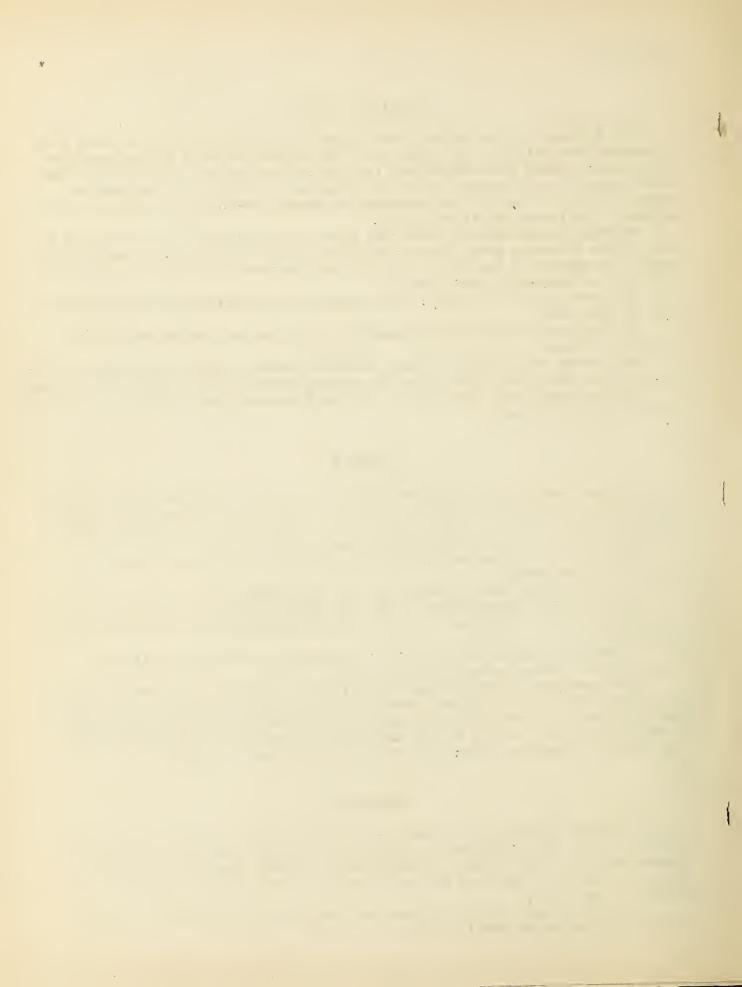
The twelve blasting demonstrations carried on in cooperation with the DuPont powder company proved most successful.

Joint meetings of the Maryland Agricultural society and the Farmers' National Congress will be held at Hagerstown during the week of October 27th to November 1st. They will be under the auspices of the Washington county Agricultural Association. There will be a wool exhibition for the purpose of demonstrating the quality of Maryland fleeces in connection with these meetings.

# MISSISSIPPI

The Annual meeting of the County Agents' short course will be held at the A. & M. College from July 23rd to 29th. On the 23rd Dr. Bradford Knapp will make an address at the College. Short talks by County Agents will be made on the 28th. Mr. I. W. Hill and Mr. H. E. Savely of this Office are requested to attend the meeting.

The Annual Short Course for Farm Women and girls will be held at the A. & M. College from August 6th to 15th.



# MISSISSIPPI (cont'd)

Prof. Martin is requested to make an address and help in the daily discussions Miss Powell will give lessons on meat canning and jelly making; Miss Keown on clothing and textiles, and Mr. Lacy and Dr. Mulford will demonstrate house planning and improvements of the home grounds. A desire is also expressed to have a demonstration on brining and vinegar making.

The farmers of Mississippi with the county agents behind them succeeded in producing and shipping from Pontioc county \$645,416 in products other than cotton. The amount of deposits in the bank on January 1st was \$1,545,115 and this is an increase of \$995,522 since January of 1916.

Mississippi had an enrollment of 2,201 boys in club work in 1909 and in 1919 the enrollment has grown to 20,000.

The Mississippi State Fair at Jackson offers as much as \$3,000 in state prizes. 134 prizes are offered to corn club boys, 33 prizes to pig club, 68 to baby beef and 21 to sheep club boys. An automobile is given to the county superintendent and county agent showing the greatest efficiency in corn club work.

The date for the State Fair at Jackson is on October 20th to 25th. Miss Mabel L. Stires, secretary.

The Mississippi-Alabama Fair will be held at Meridian on September 29th to October 4th. A. H. George, secretary.

## NORTH CAROLINA

A National Conference will be held by the National American Home Economics Association at Blue Ridge on June 25th to 28th.

Dr. Knapp will attend this conference and on June 26th will discuss the "Organization of Extension Work for Women and Girls in the Southern States. At the general meeting he will also discuss "The Whole Problem of the Home Demonstration Work in Relation to Rural Life."

The district meeting will be held in the Community building at Salisbury June 10th, 11th and 12th. Headquarters, Empire Hotel. The burning of the large hotel in Statesville caused the change of place for meeting. On the morning of the third day however a visit will be made to Statesville to study the work on the Test Farm. Mr. Wm. B. Mercier is requested to be present at this district meeting.

A special three weeks course for teachers in the service begins July 7th and extends through July 23rd and is followed by a conference of agricultural workers on July 24th and 25th.

A Forestry conference has been called by Col. Henry S. Graves, Forester, to meet at Asheville on June 4th. This is the second series of conferences, the first was held on May 20th in Washington, D. C.

The Conference of Extension Workers will be held at Raleigh on June 17th and 18th. Men and women district agents with other extension workers and specialists are invited. All phases of agricultural extension in the state for the fiscal year will be discussed.

During the summer school session at the University of the state a conference will be held for the social workers from July 13th to 20th.

For a week beginning July 28th and ending August 2nd a Tri-County encampment for boys and girls will be held at Murfreesboro in Hertford county. It is proposed to give girls a course in canning, cooking, reed and raffia work, and boys a course in judging and handling livestock, growing field crops and making rustic furniture.

The 5th annual summer school of the State College will spen of West Raleigh June 10th to July 23nd. Courses will be given in agai. + Home Conomies.

# NORTH CAROLINA (cont'd)

A booklet entitled "Agricultural Opportunities and conditions of North Carolina" has been issued by the Railroad Administration and can be obtained either in Washington, D. C. or Wilmington.

Mr. C. R. Hudson announces the CountyAgents' meeting of the Central district for June 26th and 27th instead of the 24th and 25th. The meeting was postponed on

account of the meeting of the Masons.

Mr. A. J. Reed has tendered his resignation to the Dairy Field Office of the Animal Industry Division and will enter the business world of Raleigh.

The 58th State Fair will be held at Raleigh from October 20th to 25th.

The Fair of the Carolinas will be held at Charlotte on October 14th to 17th.

#### OKLAHOMA

The Oklahoma Summer Term begins on June 2nd, closing July 25th. The Farm Congress will be held at Stillwater on August 24th to 27th.

All boys who join the Pig club will be furnished with registered sows by Mr. J. Robert Gilliam of Ardmore, taking the boys note in payment, due in nine months.

Mr. Henry E. Dunlavy with headquarters at Stillwater, has been appointed Extension Seed Specialist for our work in this state.

The tentative date for the Oklahoma State Fair and Exposition at Oklahoma City is September 20th to 27th. S. L. Mahan and R. T. Hemphill, general managers.

The Oklahoma Free Fair will be held at Muskogee on September 29th to October 4th. Ethel Murray Simonds, secretary.

# SOUTH CAROLINA

The State Home Demonstration Short Course will be held at Winthrop College, Rockhill from June 6th to 13th, inclusive. There will be 450 women and girls in attendance, five women and five .girls from each county in the state. On account of the good work done in the Home Demonstration Clubs these women and girls are selected to attend the short course. The day of June 7th is set aside for canning and brining especially. Dr. Bedding, of the National Canning Association is requested to attend.

## TENNESSEE

A special short course will be held for training the Home Demonstration agents at Peabody College, Nashville. Two courses will be given for training, the first from June 15th to July; the second from July 22nd to August 22nd.

An auction sale is to be held at Bracy City on October 14th and 15th.

E. L. Hampton in charge.

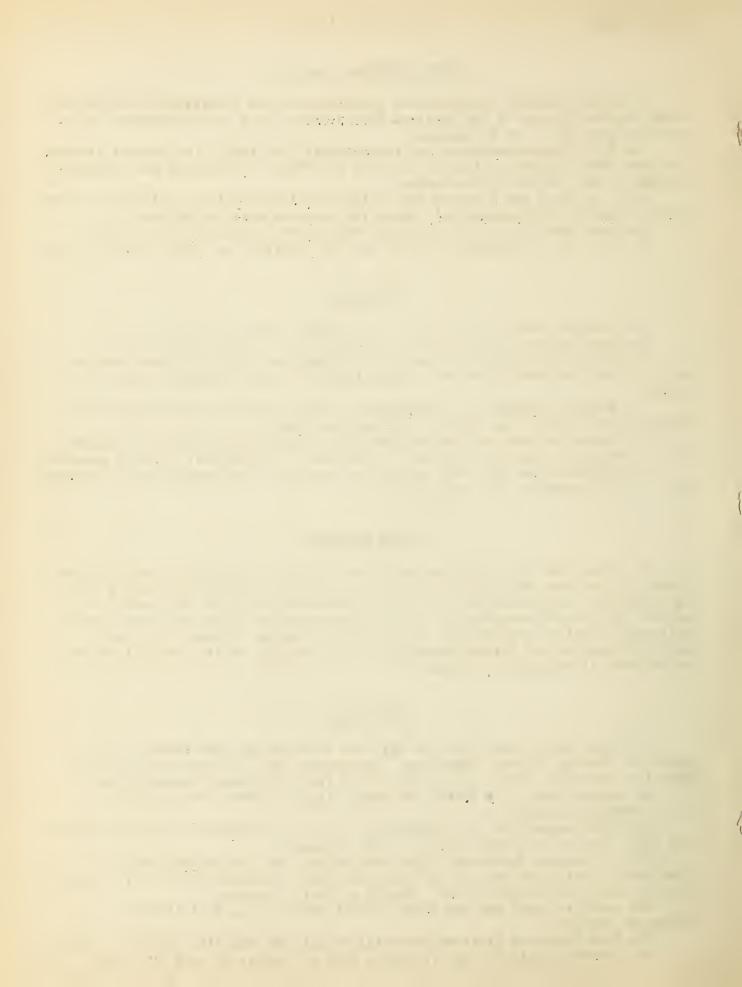
The third annual Fat Cattle Show will be held at Nashville on December 10th and 11th. \$2,500 is being offered in cash premiums.

The Chattanooga Interstate Fair, the new name for the exposition at Chattanooga, which has been for the past four years a district fair, will be held on September 29th to October 4th. Joseph B. Curtis, manager.

The tentative date for the State Fair at Nashville is Sept. 15-20th. J. W.

Russwurp, manager.

The East Tennessee Division Fair will be held at Knoxville October 6 - 12th. The tentative date for the Tri-State Fair at Memphis is Sept. 20 - 27th.



### TE XAS

A Farmers' short course will be held at the A. & M. College on July 21st and 20th.

It is desired that Dr. Mulford and Mr. Lacy hold a lecture at the College of Industrial Arts while attending the Farmers' short course.

The Summer session of the A. & M. College will be held from July 16th to the middle of August and a course for the Home demonstration agents has been outlined to take place the last half of the session from August 5th to 15th.

A combined Farmers' meeting will be held at Kaufman on July 12th to 14th.

Prof. Martin has been requested to make an address at this meeting.

The 22nd annual session of the Farmers' Congress will be held at the A. & M. College on July 17th, 18th and 19th. Officers of the executive committee of the Farmers' Congress found in "First Aid", May 9th issue. The Poultry Raisers' Association will meet at College Station at this time.

Assistant State agent E. L. Blackshear states that a Farmers' short course for colored farmers, of one week only, will be held at Prairie View about the last of July or first of August.

The Texas State Fair will be held at Dallas October 6th to 9th. W. H. Stratton, secretary. J. E. Bocg-Scott will be superintendent of the livestock at this fair.

The Texas Cotton Palace will be held at Waco November 1st to 16th. S. N. Mayfield, secretary.

A fair will be held at Fort Worth August 25th to 30th.

# VIRGINIA

A district meeting will be held at Harrisonburg Normal school beginning the week of June 2nd.

Short courses will be held at Pittsylvania county, at Averett College, July 23rd to 26th; Westmoreland county, June 9th to 13th; Augusta county, near Staunton, August 2 nd to 9th; Frince Edward county, June 24th to 27th; Charles City, James 6ity and New Kent counties, at Williamsburg June 16th to 19th; Roanoke county at Salem, June 16th to 20th.

The Virginia State Fair will be held at Richmond October 6th to 11th.

The Warrenton Horse Show will be held at Warrenton, in Fauquier county,

August 20th and 21st.

The Women's Land Army of Virginia has Mrs. George Warren of Richmond as chairman of the Framing committee of the Virginia division. For further information address 910 East Main street, Richmond.

# WEST VIRGINIA

The Prize Winners Course and a Home Demonstration Agents' Conference will be held at Morgantown June 9th to 13th. Messrs I. W. Hill and C. L. Chambers will be present.

From June 10th to 13th at Morgantown a course in beautifying the home grounds will be held for 20 minutes each day for the benefit of the girls who have already attended a Prize Winners Course.

The monthly Extension Conferences will be held at Morgantown June 9th to 14th; July 14th and August 18th.

The West Virginia State Fair will be held at Wheeling September 1st to 5th.

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